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EDITORIAL COMMENTS.

Thousands of British troops are arriving at Havre, France, on transports are being moved to the north as rapidly as possible. The British are making Havre their main base of supplies. On the average, fifteen British transports arrive daily from Southampton. Large camps have been leased on the heights along the Seine for periods varying from two to three years. Barracks are being built and extensive supply depots have been established.

The unhappy homes at this season of the year are those where there are no kids. Commenting on this idea the Tennessean says: "One poor devil who needs your sympathy about this time of the year is the one whose wife has never had time to raise any kiddies." There are many such homes not only in Nashville, but here in Hopkinsville.

Five small steamers have been sunk by mines in the north sea this week. The Norwegian steamer Vaaren lost 14 of the crew, the British steamer Elterwater lost 7, the Princess Olga's crew escaped. Two others are unidentified.

A bandit entered the Provident Savings Bank & Trust Company, in the heart of the west end business district of Cincinnati, terrified the officials with pistol shots, and escaped in an automobile with \$8,000.

Will B. Brown, assistant cashier of a Gallatin, Tenn., bank, has been tried and found guilty of embezzling the bank's funds. He was mayor of Gallatin at the time, but resigned.

A Trieste special has announced the blowing up by a mine and the sinking of the Austrian training ship Beethoven, with the loss of the crew and all the cadets on board.

Sixteen converts of a Baptist church in McCreary county, were baptized in a pond, in a snowstorm at Pine Knot, Ky., Sunday, by Rev. J. M. Chambers.

It has been decided that a 50 cent war tax stamp is required on a marriage license, even where the marriage does not result in a mother-in-law.

Only 194 Germans were saved in the battle off Falkland Islands, including a few officers. The British loss was 8 killed.

One dealer at Hickman, Ky., shipped 11,000 pounds of pecan, valued at more than \$1,000.

CONNECTION RESTORED

First Talking With Pembroke Thursday For Several Days.

The Christian-Todd Telephone Co., succeeded Thursday in restoring the broken connection with Pembroke and many people in the eastern part of the county are using their phones for the first time this week. The storm caused a vast amount of trouble and annoyance to subscribers, as well as a heavy loss to the company.

Three Licenses Issued.

Marriage licenses were issued yesterday, as follows: Henry Grant to Elsie Jenkins and Arlie Adams to Ernie Cramer, all of near Crofton. Ceremony will be held Sunday by Rev. P. P. Gadish. A license was issued Thursday to Ambrose W. Standard, of Ekton, and Miss Louise P. Reeves, of this county.

At West Brook.

There will be a concert and box supper given at the West Brook schoolhouse, on the Palmyra pike, next Tuesday night, at 7:30 o'clock. Admission 10 and 15 cents.

Chappell Stewart.

A marriage license was issued yesterday to H. C. Chappell and Miss Lucy Stewart, of this city.

BERLIN MAKES BIG CLAIMS

Grows Excited Over A Report That Russians Have Been Ingloriously Defeated.

NOT CONFIRMED ELSEWHERE.

Russians Are Returning Along The Front In Galicia and Poland.

Berlin, via London, Dec. 17 (11:10 p. m.)—Berlin was aroused to enthusiasm today by the announcement of a great Austro-German victory over the Russians in Poland. An official bulletin announcing this was issued shortly after noon. Within half an hour extra editions of the papers appeared, and the whole city literally flashed into bunting.

The English View.

London, Dec. 18.—"The Russians are retiring along the entire front in Galicia and Poland."

This statement, officially issued at Vienna, is the outstanding feature of last night's news from the battle fronts.

While there is no confirmation from other sources, such a movement on the part of the Russians would be in line with the announcement in Petrograd dispatches that the Russians, threatened on both flanks, had decided to take up new positions, where they could better meet the Austro-German onslaughts from the Carpathians to the East Prussian frontier.

Should the Austro-German armies, as on previous occasions, follow the Russians in Poland, another big battle will soon be in progress, which may decide whether the Germans are to get to Warsaw or whether the Russians are again to threaten an invasion of Germany.

The Russian delay in fulfilling expectations that they would prove a serious menace to German territory is disappointing the peoples of the allied countries, but military men express the view that it is better for Russia to fight in her own territory, where means of communications would be more on an equality.

The German and French official communications do not disclose much of what is going on in the west, but it is apparent the allies are still on the offensive from the coast to La Bassee and at other points. While no marked advances are reported, the French claim progress and to have organized the ground they gained during the preceding days. The Germans on the other hand, assert that the allies' attacks have been repulsed.

From the number of wounded reaching the hospitals of both the Germans and the allies, it is evident that the fighting in Flanders today was more severe than shown in the official statements. Correspondents report that the hospitals again are filling while along the Dutch border continuous firing can be heard.

The long expected proclamation bringing an end to Turkish suzerainty over Egypt and the establishment of a British protectorate was officially issued last night.

MUSICAL

In Honor of Visitors from Trigg.

A musical was given at Mr. Ewing Boyd's, on Jesup Ave., Thursday night in honor of Mr. John Holland and daughter, Miss Lottie Holland, of Trigg county, who are visiting here. Messrs. G. H. Anderson and Leo Mitchell rendered several pieces on the violin and they were assisted by Mr. Holland and his daughter. The occasion was greatly enjoyed.

Universalist Church.

Services at the Universalist Church Sunday, 7 p. m. Subject: "Overcoming the World."

J. B. FOSHER, Pastor.

LIGHT SALES ON FLOORS

Little Doing On Account of The Freezing Weather In The Last Few Days.

OWENSBORO MARKET ACTIVE

Clarksville Market Reported To Be Almost At a Standstill.

Operations are still small on the loose floors. The unfavorable weather has interfered and the daily sales have been small with no improvement in prices quoted the first of the week.

Owensboro seems to be selling more than all of the other western markets. Three hundred and seventy thousand pounds of Pryor were sold there Thursday. The top price was \$13.90 for Pryor leaf. The general average on 341,460 pounds sold was \$6.38.

The market did not show much improvement. The Gallaher Limited is swamped with the weed and has not been buying on the floors for two days.

A Clarksville special says: There was a small sale of tobacco on some of the loose floors yesterday. The same conditions existed as the day before, the cold weather having frozen the leaf so that it was impossible for the buyers to know the real condition, and therefore they were forced to bid more carefully than otherwise. Only a few thousand pounds were sold, and most of this was loaded on the wagon before the freeze and was then delivered, rather than unload or keep it in waiting.

State Hospital Patient.

Josephine Burns, a patient at the Western State Hospital from McLean county, died one day this week of exhaustion from insanity, aged 74 years. She had been in the institution nearly four years. Interment in the hospital burying ground.

SUES FOR \$1,000

Alleges Injuries Sustained When Thrown From Buggy.

Edward Adams, of North Christian, has filed suit here against Dr. G. W. Loran, of Crofton, for \$1,000 damages. Plaintiff alleges personal injuries sustained by himself, his wife and two children, who were thrown from a buggy one day in September last, when their mule which was attached to the vehicle, became frightened by defendant's automobile.

NEW LAW KNOCKED OUT AS UNCONSTITUTIONAL.

Frankfort, Ky., Dec. 18.—The act of 1910 permitting cities of the third class to assess the cost of street improvements against abutting property on the ten-year payment plan was declared void Tuesday by the Court of Appeals, because in amending the charter of third-class cities in the enactment of this law, the sections amended were not set out in full as they would read after being amended, which violates the constitutional directions for amending laws.

The opinion was written by Commissioner Clay in the suit of Hugh Kimbley, a property owner, to enjoin Mayor J. H. Hickman and the city of Owensboro from constructing a street under an ordinance in conformity with this law.

Valuable Chicken.

Covington, Ky., Dec. 18.—Mrs. Mathew Winkler, while preparing dinner, discovered a sparkling gem in the gizzard of a chicken. She notified neighbors and they declared that the stone was a diamond. A. Wiebel, a jeweler, examined the diamond and said it is worth \$50. Last Christmas Mrs. Winkler found a dime in the gizzard of a turkey.

TAKE UP ASSIGNMENTS

Kentuckians Would Hold Place On Ways and Means.

Washington, Dec. 15.—That Kentucky ought to maintain its representation on the Ways and Means Committee in the next Congress was generally agreed on at the informal conference of the members of the Kentucky delegation held in the Speaker's lobby of the House today. Representative A. O. Stanley, member of the Ways and Means Committee, who will retire from Congress March 4, and D. H. Kincheloe, Representative-elect to succeed him, were present at the meeting. Several of the Representatives said that they desired to give up their present committee assignments and seek places on other committees in the next Congress, but they were not prepared to announce just what changes they wished to make.

Mr. Kincheloe told his prospective colleagues that he would like to be appointed to the Committee on Agriculture if no other member of the delegation desired the berth. The conference adjourned without any conclusion regarding future assignments being reached. The delegation may hold another meeting before Mr. Kincheloe concludes his visit here.

It developed during the conference that Representative Harvey Helm also has his eye on a place on the Agriculture Committee in the next Congress and because of this fact Mr. Kincheloe may not be able to obtain the assignment he wishes. It is one rarely given a new member.

MANY CONVICTIONS

In Federal Court at Bowling Green.

Bowling Green, Ky., Dec. 17.—Charles Caldwell and Herbert Walker, charged with robbing the post office at Guthrie, tried in federal court here, were each given one year and one day in the federal penitentiary. William O'Neil was given eighteen months for robbing a United States mail car near Guthrie. There were eleven convictions of bootlegging, including one woman, the latter receiving a \$100 fine and thirty days in jail.

BRUSSELS WILL PAY

War Lien Imposed Upon Town Will Be Disposed of by June.

Amsterdam, Dec. 18.—A Berlin dispatch says that Brussels and suburbs have decided to pay the war lien of 45,000,000 marks (\$11,250,000) imposed by Germany, by means of special taxes payable up to June 15, 1915.

For payment of the remaining 25,000,000 marks (\$6,250,000) of the first war contribution, arrangements have been reached with a group of Belgian banks whereby this obligation will be met in 10 installments.

Owls On a Boom.

The Owls are making strenuous efforts to become the leading order numerically in the city and are rapidly coming to the front. Last Tuesday night there were 21 initiations and there are 25 others to be initiated next Tuesday night. The order is now in fine condition. Everything points to a great future.

Street Lights On Again.

Street lights in the Southern Circuit of the city, south of Fourteenth street, were out several nights following the wire troubles the first of the week. Partial service was resumed Wednesday night and Thursday night. The Kentucky Public Service Co. is struggling to get the wires as fast as a man can get a difficult task.

Three New Deacons.

The Clarksville Baptist Church elected C. D. Runyon, Geo. Fort and B. I. Wallace as deacons, Wednesday night.

HIGH SCHOOL CARNIVAL

Pupils Are Pulling Off A Novel Stunt For Two Days.

AT HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING.

Full Line of Attractions, Shows and Museums Which Started Yesterday.

The much talked of Carnival at the High schools opened yesterday with the following strong array of attractions:

Senior Minstrel Show.
Wild West Show.
Incubator Baby.
Museum of Freaks.
Electric Display.
Wax Works Exhibit.
Million Dollar Dolls.
Menagerie.
Mystery Show.
Freshman's Museum.

A street parade was given at noon yesterday in which many vehicles participated. Music was made by drums and horns and the boys and girls were out in force. The parade created much interest. The admission to the carnival grounds is 10 cents and to each show will be 5 cents, except the Senior minstrels, who charge 10 cents. A season ticket of 50 cents to all of the shows is offered.

The shows are all on the first floor of the high school building, which is heated and lighted.

In the hall are pop stands, confetti stands, Populay Lady and Ugly man contest, Fortune Tellers and other concessions.

The whole carnival made a big hit yesterday and a large crowd is expected to day at both afternoon and night performances. The shows will run continuously, beginning at 2 o'clock in the afternoon and 7 o'clock at night.

SACRED CONCERT

And Musical Recital By Pupils of Bethel College.

Bethel Female College Conservatory of Music gave a sacred concert at the Baptist church Thursday night, which delighted a large crowd. The first number was by Miss Gertrude Jones, the accomplished teacher of music.

The Voice pupils who took part in the concert were Misses Iona Hicks, Nannie Caldwell, Lulu Berry and Mrs. J. L. Shroder; the Piano pupils, Misses Edna Douglass, Cret McKnight, Frances Garnett, Grace Richards and Marjorie Huckleman.

There were readings by Randolph Peterson, Miss R. E. Coleman and Miss Dorothy Somerville, also a violin duet by William Thompson and Miss Lulu Berry.

The concert was very enjoyable to the lovers of music and all of the pupils reflected much credit upon themselves and the school.

John Bunny.

John Bunny in the flesh, is in Louisville this week, playing to standing room at every performance at the Gayety. Mr. Bunny and company of fifty singers and dancers furnish a world of mirth and music during the action of the two acts, entitled "Bunny's Minstrels" and "A Moving-Picture Studio."

Child Fatally Burned.

Pine Knot, Ky., Dec. 16.—The clothing of Albert Stephens, the 2-year-old son of Beatty Stephens, just east of town, caught fire from the open grate and he was fatally burned before the flames could be extinguished.

Poor-Miller.

William Poor and Miss Inez V. Miller, of near Paducah.

GERMANY NOW SCORES

Slips Through Mines and Bombs Three English Towns 350 Miles From Her Base.

75 OR MORE ARE KILLED

Most Daring Attack on England Since The Days of Paul Jones.

London, Dec. 18.—The raid of German warships on the northeast coast of England early Wednesday and their escape in a fog after having bombarded Scarborough, Hartlepool and Whitby; where seventy-five persons were killed and 150 wounded and considerable damage was done to property, completely overshadows land operations.

Belief is general that the Germans had the able assistance of spies. The remarkable secrecy with which the raid was executed is shown by the fact that not a single incoming vessel at any east coast port saw the German ships prior to their sudden appearance.

The nearest parallel to Wednesday's visit is found in the activities of John Paul Jones, terror of English shipping, who menaced English coast towns in 1779.

A majority of the victims at Hartlepool were women and children. Fifteen schoolboys were killed by a single shell, only one boy in the group escaping. Ten persons were killed by the collapse of a building in which they had taken shelter.

One shell damaged a building five miles from shore.

Land operations, however, as on preceding days, have been of the utmost importance. The British, French and Belgian troops have continued their offensive in the west and according to the French official reports, have made further slight progress. This was not accomplished, however, without foot by foot fighting.

Along the coast of Flanders, where the allies are trying to push their lines forward from Nieuport, they have the assistance of the British fleet which violently bombarded Westende, one of the many little coast towns which have suffered greatly since the commencement of the war. This attack, Berlin says, was without effect and the allies were repulsed.

Further inland the French also claim to have gained ground, although in a less marked degree than on previous days. In the Argonne there apparently has been a lull, but both in the Woevre and Alsace, the two other regions where severe fighting has been in progress for some time, the Germans appear to have delivered counter attacks.

In Poland preparations are being made for a new battle or series of battles. The Russians, according to a former member of the cabinet at Petrograd, have decided despite the disappointment it must cause to withdraw their left wing at least and form a new line back in their own territory. This will relieve Cracow, but will compel the Austro-German forces to fight farther away from the strategic railways by which they have moved troops quickly to desired points.

This plan doubtless will affect the rest of the battle front also except in the extreme north of Poland, where the German column has been driven back by a superior Russian force.

A Rome dispatch credits the Austrians with having admitted the loss of 100,000 men in their expedition against Serbia and their subsequent defeat by the army of that little nation.

Stacker-Farnsworth.

Mr. George Stacker, for several years the heavy and handsome city editor of the Leaf-Chronicle at Clarksville, Tenn., recently resigned, has just wedded Miss Eunice Farnsworth.